



# St. Joseph

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

ROCKDALE, TEXAS

August 3, 2025

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### MASS TIMES / HORARIO DE MISA

Saturday:	5 p.m.
Sunday:	9 a.m. & 11:30 a.m. (Español)
Tuesday:	6 p.m.
Wednesday:	12:15 p.m.
Thursday:	12:15 p.m. & 6 p.m. (Español)
Friday:	12:15 p.m.

### RECONCILIATION / RECONCILIACIÓN

**Saturday:** 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.  
By appointment also / Con cita previa también  
Contact the office 512-446-2049

### DEVOTIONS / DEVOCIONES

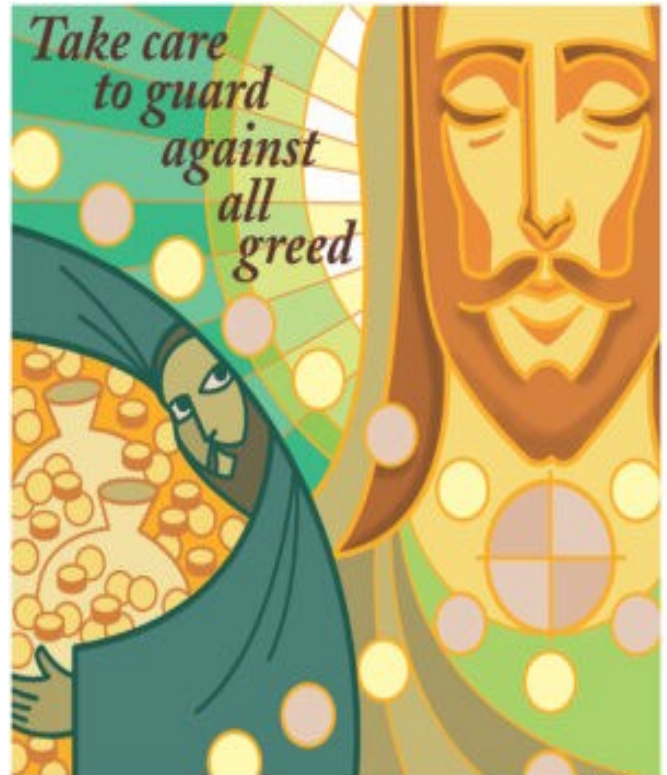
**First Friday Mass:** 12:15 pm

**Eucharistic Adoration** after the 6 p.m. Mass on Thursdays. / **Adoración Eucarística** después de la Misa de las 6 p.m. los jueves.

**Rosary** is prayed 30 minutes prior to all weekend masses. / **El Rosario** se reza 30 minutos antes de todas las misas de fin de semana.

#### Liturgy of the Hours:

Tuesday - 5:45 p.m.  
Wednesday - 12:00 p.m.  
Thursday - 12:00 p.m.



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Office Hours / Horas de Oficina:  
Tues. - Thurs. 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

## Mass Intentions & Readings

<b>Monday</b>	<i>Nm 11:4b-15/Mt 14:13-21</i>	
<b>Aug 4</b>	<i>St. John Vianney</i>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>Nm 12:1-13/Mt 14:22-36</i>	
<b>Aug 5</b>	<b>6 p.m.</b>	Living and Deceased members of the Guadalupanas Society
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i>Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36</i>	
<b>Aug 6</b>	<b>12:15 p.m.</b>	Fidela Perez 84th Birthday
<i>The Transfiguration of the Lord</i>		Mariana Perez 73rd Birthday
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>Nm 20:1-13/Mt 16:13-23</i>	
<b>Aug 7</b>	<b>12:15 p.m.</b>	Living and Deceased Members of the Ladies Society
	<b>6 p.m.</b>	†Rogelio Lopez †Maria Menjivar
<b>Friday</b>	<i>Dt 4:32-40/ Mt 16:24-28</i>	
<b>Aug 8</b>	<b>12:15 p.m.</b>	†Jacob Juarez
<i>St. Dominic</i>		†Jan and Steve Sullivan
<b>Saturday</b>	<i>Dn 6:4-13/ Mt 17:14-20</i>	
<b>Aug 9</b>	<b>5 p.m.</b>	†Billie & Herman Kocian †Frank Garcia
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>Wis 18:6-9/Heb 11:1-2,8-19/Lk 12:32-48</i>	
<b>Aug 10</b>	<b>9 a.m.</b>	†Alejandro Perez
<i>Nineteenth Sunday</i>		†Eugene Holub I
<i>In ordinary</i>	<b>11:30 a.m.</b>	All St. Joseph's Parishioners

Daily Mass / Adoration is held in the Holy Family Chapel.

Misa de Dia / Adoración diaria se lleva a cabo en la Capilla de la Sagrada Familia.

## July 26– 27, 2025

<b>Weekly Collection:</b>	<b>\$ 4,696.00</b>
<b>Online Giving:</b> 7/21-7/25	<b>\$ 146.75</b>
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$ 4,842.75</b>

### Parish Monthly Assessment \$6,069.00

(Catholic Spirit, Cathedralism, Priest Pension & Health Insurance, Property Insurance, Ministry Platform, Workmen's Compensation)

Please remember St. Joseph's in your will.

"All must give as they are able, according to the blessings given to them by the Lord your God."  
– Deuteronomy 16:17

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## Special Collections / Colecciones Especiales

<b>Aug 2-3</b>	Black Bag
<b>Sep 6-7</b>	Red Bag

DATE	LECTORS	ALTAR SERVERS	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	USHERS
<b>Sat. Aug 2– 5 p.m..</b>	Margaret Coker	Marcos Santellano	Maria Dubey Wesley Janak	Carlos Garza Wesley Janak
<b>Sun. Aug 3— 9 a.m.</b>  <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	Pat Jerman  Sylvia Ramos Claudia Hernandez	Omar Chavez  Camila Cardona	Jeff & Kelley Zapata	Chad Ehler Jason Ehler Juan Gonzalez Macario Flores
<b>Sat. Aug 9– 5 p.m.</b>	Theresa Alvarez	Mario Santellano	Carlos Garza Nancy Phillips	Wesley Janak Kenney Svrcek
<b>Sun. Aug 10— 9 a.m.</b>  <b>11:30 a.m.</b>	Nancy Zenner  Martha Hernandez Lupe Tristan	Marcos Santellano  Elizabeth Longoria	Felicia Alexander Craig Snow	Jeff Zapata David Ehler Francisco Hernandez Felipe Pacheco



## Remember In Prayer

Fr. John Boiko

Deacon Gus & Norma Coelho

Maria Teresa Mora	Joe Ruelas
Richard Facundo	Mary Vega
Cruz Martinez	Karen Eckert
Jim Garza	Florian Skubal
Nick & Mamie Guzman	Bill Martinez
Familia Reyes	Mike Morris
Charlie & Pat Watson	Matilde Garza
Tom & Barbara Hormuth	Alex Martinez
Roberto Reyes	Bea Tomczuk
Amalia Hernandez	Maria Gonzalez
H.T. Anderson	John Bland
Lydia Ramirez	Bill Wisener
Lupe Orozco	Teresa Key
Gladys Skubal	Susan Maldonado
James Gorney	Jesus Maldonado
Charlie Mae Miller	Ed Hill
Jesse Alvarez	Wendy Fournet
David Boudreaux	Delores Caka
Janie Zapata	Mark Alvarez
Leslie Joyce Garcia	Teresa Brown
Jim Grametbauer	Hunter Burney
Lisa Vongonten	Andrea Tovar
Jordan Juarez	Lillian Sanchez
Vernon Crowder	Lambert Skubal Jr.
Valentina Rodarte	Dolores Turner
Maria Garro B.	Marianne Lopez
Damon Corona	Marcelino Flores
Christina Alvarez	Susie Flores
Benji Blanco –Navy deployment	

PLEASE Call the office @ 512-446-2049 if you, or someone you know, needs to be remembered on the prayer list.



## The Sanctuary Light in the church is burning in Memory of

Robyn Black

by

Nancy Phillips

### Sanctuary Candle Intentions



If you would like to schedule an intention for a deceased loved one, someone's birthday or anniversary etc., we do have dates available for scheduling.

Please come by the parish office if you would like to schedule sanctuary candle intentions.

### Intenciones de velas del santuario



Si desea programar una intención para un ser querido fallecido, el cumpleaños o aniversario de alguien, etc., tenemos fechas disponibles para programar.

Por favor pase por la oficina parroquial si desea programar intenciones de velas para el santuario.

### New Bishop

*Dear Friends in Christ,*

*With profound thanksgiving and gratitude, the Diocese of Austin announces that on Wednesday July 2, 2025, our Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, named the Most Reverend Daniel E.*

*Garcia the 6th Bishop of the Diocese of Austin.*

*Since 2019, Bishop Garcia has served as the Bishop of Monterey in California and now will return to his home diocese where he was ordained a priest and previously served as auxiliary bishop. As Bishop Garcia embraces this new appointment, let us pray that God will fill him with hope and joy as he prepares to lead the Diocese of Austin. With our prayers and support, and in the spirit of his episcopal motto, may we "walk humbly with God" alongside Bishop Garcia.*

## Catholic Social Teaching Corner / Rincón de la Doctrina Social Católica

### Aug. 2-3, 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

More than any other of the evangelists, Luke is concerned about greed and materialism. In today's Gospel we hear one of the parables of Jesus regarding greed. What does it profit us to hoard? The readings invite us to contemplate what we really need and what is too much. Each of us needs to discern this according to our consciences and circumstances. What are the riches that will last? Not material possessions, but love and relationships and particularly for Christians, love and care for the poor and vulnerable. This is the treasure that will last!

### Agosto 2-3, 18vo Domingo del Tiempo Ordinario

Más que ningún otro evangelista, Lucas se preocupa por la ambición y el materialismo. En el Evangelio de hoy, escuchamos una de las parábolas de Jesús en lo que se refiere a la ambición ¿Qué nos da el acumular? Las lecturas nos invitan a contemplar lo que realmente necesitamos y qué es demasiado. Cada uno de nosotros necesita discernir esto de acuerdo a nuestras conciencias y circunstancias ¿Cuáles son las riquezas que duran? No las posesiones materiales, sino el amor y las relaciones, particularmente para los Cristianos, el amor y el cuidado de los pobres y vulnerables ¡Este es el Tesoro que durará!

## St. Joseph Organizations / Contacts

### Meeting Dates / Times

#### Sociedad Guadalupana

**Maria Tristan, President** 512-429-0541

Meets the 1st Saturday of the month with Rosary at 9 a.m. followed by Meeting in the RE Building. New members are always welcome.

#### Knights of Columbus

**Kenny Svrcek, Grand Knight** 512-921-2184

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 7 p.m. @ the K of C Hall. New members are always welcome.

#### St. Joseph Ladies Society

**Maria Santellano, President** 254-760-0568

Meets the 1st Monday of the month in the RE Building with Rosary at 5 p.m. followed by Meeting. New members are always welcome.

#### The Marian Cenacle (Prayer Group)

**Contact the Parish Office @ 512-446-2049**

Meets each Thursday, beginning with the 8 a.m. Mass, followed by a Rosary and Cenacle (spiritual development) @ the RE Building until 10:00 a.m. Open to all men and women of the parish. **Not meeting June 5 through August 14.**

#### Daughters of Mary/Hijas de María

**Contact the Parish Office @ 512-446-2049**

Meets the 1st Saturday of each month (Sept.—May) @ RE Building from 10:30-11:30 a.m. Open to girls who have made their First Communion and older, and their parents.

#### Impact Youth Group

**Youth Minister**

Meets the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of each month starting in October @ RE Building, from 6:30-7:45 p.m., followed by IMPACT NIGHT from 7:45-8:45 p.m.

#### Eucharistic Apostles of Divine Mercy

**Contact Debby Currey @ 512-775-0977**

Various groups meet weekly to study the Divine Mercy, St. Faustina's Diary, the Catechism of the Catholic Church, and to pray.

#### Viri Christi (Men's Group)

**Contact Carlos Garza** 512-760-0273

Men's group focusing on prayer, education and spirituality. Meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7pm in the RE Building.

#### Pastoral Council Chairman

**Eugene Holub** 512-429-5577

#### Finance Council President

**Margaret Coker** 512-970-8177

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### St. Joseph Ladies Society

**August Altar Duty:** Nancy Phillips, Erika Obiedo

**August Hostess Duty:** Debbie Currey,  
Lynne Crowder

Salad Supper Meeting August 4th. Bring a guest.

### First Friday Devotion



**You are invited on  
Friday, August 1, 2025,  
FIRST FRIDAY of the  
Month:**

There will be **Eucharistic  
Adoration** with  
**BENEDICTION**

from 9:30 a.m. –12 p.m.  
followed by the Mass at **12:15 p.m.**

## ***Are you an adult who:***

*Is interested in being baptized and becoming Catholic?*

*Was already baptized in another Christian denomination but would like to possibly convert to Catholicism?*

*Was already baptized in the Catholic Church but never received the sacraments of Eucharist, Confession, or Confirmation?*

*Is Catholic but has been away from the church for a long time and would like to reconnect to learn more about your Catholic faith?*

**If you answered yes to any of those questions,  
the OCIA program (formerly known as RCIA) may be right for you!**

**First Session: Tuesday, Sept. 9, 7:00–8:30 pm in the RE Building**

**Sessions will be every Tuesday.**

**For more information to find out if this is right for you, please contact  
the St. Joseph Church Office at 512-446-2049.**

## ***¿Eres un adulto que:***

*¿Está interesado en bautizarse y convertirse al catolicismo?*

*¿Ya fuiste bautizado en otra denominación cristiana, pero te gustaría convertirte al catolicismo?*

*¿Ya fuiste bautizado en la Iglesia Católica, pero nunca recibiste los sacramentos de la Eucaristía, la Confesión o la Confirmación?*

*¿Eres católico, pero llevas mucho tiempo alejado de la iglesia y te gustaría reconectarte con ella para aprender más sobre tu fe católica?*

**¡Si respondió afirmativamente a alguna de estas preguntas,  
el programa OCIA (anteriormente conocido como RCIA) podría ser ideal para usted!**

**Primera sesión: Martes 9 de septiembre, de 19:00 a 20:30 h en el Edificio de RE.**

**Las sesiones serán todos los martes.**

**Para obtener más información y saber si este programa es adecuado para usted, comuníquese con la Oficina de la Iglesia de San José al 512-446-2049.**



## AMERICA NEEDS FATIMA

The Five First Saturdays Devotion is one of the important requests of Our Lady of Fatima. It centers on the urgent need for mankind to offer reparation and expiate for the many injuries that the Immaculate Heart of Mary suffers from the hands of both unpious and indifferent men.

The Devotion consists of:

- Going to Confession.
- Receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion.
- Saying five decades of the Rosary
- Meditating for fifteen minutes on the mysteries of the Rosary.



All of these can be done from 4pm-7pm on Saturdays as follows.  
August 2, September 6, October 4, November 1, December 6

On December 10, 2025 we celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the request Mary made to preform this devotion. Start in August and end in December and fulfill Mary's request.

This is how it happened.....Our Lady's Request and Promise

While staying at the House of the Dorothean Sisters in Pontevedra, Portugal, Sister Lucia received a vision on December 10, 1925, where the Blessed Mother appeared alongside a Boy who stood over a luminous cloud. Our Lady rested one hand on the Boy's shoulder while she held in the other hand a heart pierced with thorns around it.

Sister Lucia heard the Boy say, "Have pity on the Heart of your Most Holy Mother which is covered with thorns with which ungrateful men pierce it at every moment with no one to make an act of reparation to pull them out."

Examples of offenses against Mary:

- Blasphemies against the Immaculate Conception
- Blasphemies against her virginity
- Blasphemies against her divine maternity
- Instilling hatred in the hearts of children
- Insults against her sacred images

There are modifications to the requirements as follows:

- Confession can be done on a different day
- Exception if one forgets to make the intention
- A partial rosary is sufficient

See next weeks bulletin for more.-----



## Director's Message

As our school year comes to a close, I would like to take this time to thank you parents for your commitment to your child's religious education. Parents, you are the first and primary teachers of the Faith. And while our catechists are here to assist you however necessary, your example to your children is vital to the salvation of their souls. Please continue to pray with them while they are out of the classroom this summer. Practice the faith at home. Attend Mass weekly. If you haven't registered them for the 2025/26 RE year, please do so. And have a very memorable and safe summer, and we'll see you all in the classrooms come September!

*A medida que nuestro año escolar llega a su fin, me gustaría aprovechar este momento para agradecerles a los padres por su compromiso con la educación religiosa de sus hijos. Padres, sois los primeros y principales maestros de la fe. Y aunque nuestros catequistas están aquí para ayudarles en lo que sea necesario, su ejemplo para sus hijos es vital para la salvación de sus almas. Continúe orando con ellos mientras estén fuera del aula este verano. Practica la fe en casa. Asista a misa semanalmente. Si no los ha registrado para el año RE 2025/26, hágalo. ¡Que tengan un verano memorable y seguro, y los veremos a todos en las aulas en septiembre!*

**Religious Education is in need of volunteers for the 2025/2026 school year!**



### We are in need of the following volunteers:

- ◆ **Bilingual Office Aide** (for Sundays)
- ◆ **Bilingual Office Aide** (for Wednesdays)
- ◆ **2 Aides for monthly Confirmation sessions** (1st Sunday of the month, 3-6 pm; Sept. - Feb.)
- ◆ **Catechist & Aide for 7th grade** (Wednesdays)
- ◆ **Bilingual Catechist** to teach adults (Wednesdays)

Wednesdays, 6:30-7:45 p.m. // Sundays, 10:20-11:20 a.m.

*If you feel a calling to help share Christ's love with our youth, please call Mrs. Bonnie Holub (church office 512-446-2049).*

*Classes are from Sept. 3, 2025—May 6, 2026.*



### REGISTER NOW for the 2025/2026

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR

Registration will continue throughout the summer during office hours.

**Fees are \$40/student, with a maximum of \$100/family.**

We will be accepting students in K – 12<sup>th</sup> grades.

*New students are asked to bring their birth certificate, and baptismal certificate if applicable.*

*All outstanding balances need to be taken care of prior to registering for the new school year. If payment is an issue, please speak to Mrs. Holub.*



### REGÍSTRATE AHORA para el CATESISMO PARA EL PROXIMO AÑO 2025/2026

La inscripción continuará durante todo el verano durante el horario de oficina.

**Fees are \$40 por estudiante, con un máximo de \$100 por familia.**

Estamos aceptando estudiantes en los grados K - 12.

*Se les pide a los nuevos estudiantes que traigan su certificado de nacimiento y certificado de bautismo si corresponde.*

*Todos los saldos pendientes deben ser atendidos antes de inscribirse para el nuevo año escolar. Si el pago es un problema, hable con la Sra. Holub.*



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**@ RE Building**

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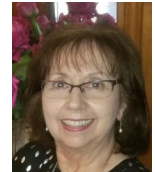
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